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SLVHCS receives van donation to help transport Veterans

NEW ORLEANS – The Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System (SLVHCS) will receive a donated 2019 Ford 7 passenger Flex minivan from by the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) in a short ceremony.

Who: Southeast Louisiana Veterans Health Care System and Disabled American Veterans

What: minivan donation during a short ceremony

When: 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2019

Where: 2400 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70119

The ceremony will be held under the breezeway, near the emergency room parking lot on Rocheblave Street.

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Background: The van is designed to transport Veterans to the medical center in New Orleans and community-based outpatient clinics throughout the 23-parish catchment areas by volunteers through the DAV's Transportation Network. Medical Center Director Fernando Rivera, FACHE will accept the van on behalf of SLVHCS from DAV Louisiana State Commander Gene Durand, and DAV La. State Adjutant Paul Hermann at the ceremony.

The van will be driven by volunteer drivers as part of DAV's Transportation Network to provide services for Veterans needing care. Terry Waite, DAV Chapter 33 Commander, is SLVHCS hospital service coordinator. Waite coordinates with patients to provide needed transportation assistance.

Rivera, Durand, Waite, and DAV Chapter 37 Treasurer & Service officer Larry Jones will make brief comments at the event.

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